



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Douglas P. Hart *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/617,556  
Filed: 07/17/00  
Entitled: Textured Seal For Reduced Wear

Group No.: 3679  
Examiner: Binda

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Dated: October 15, 2003

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- Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	16	—	40	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	—	3	0	×	86.00	\$0.00

Two Month Extension of Time \$420.00

**TOTAL DUE \$420.00**

- Two checks in the amount of **\$210.00** each are attached for a total of \$420.00.
- Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, as may be required, to file this response.
- Formal Drawings.

Dated: October 15, 2003

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
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Sir or Madam:

Please enter the following on the record in response to the above cited (non-final) Office Action mailed on May 15, 2003. A petition for a two month extension of time is submitted herewith.

The current status of all claims placed for examination are listed beginning on page 2 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121. Beginning on page 5, amendments to the specification are presented that contain no new matter, also in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121.